

**Whitman Baseball Softball Association**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**February 17, 2013**

**Opening:**

The regular meeting of the Whitman Baseball Softball Association was called to order at 6:00pm by Brian Schwede.

**Present:**

Brian Schwede, Diane Schwede, Crystal McCormack, Dan Desmond, John Figueiredo, Oliver Amado, Andrea Cafferty, Neal Cadorette, Marci Moulton, Mike Cook, Kevin Briggs, Dana Peterson, Sean O'Brien, Steve Buckley, Robyn Hamilton, Peter Brown, Mike Kenney, Jason Flebotte, Joe Cunningham, Brian Sullivan, Greg Googins

**Not Present:** Andrea Cunningham, Steve Buckley, Bill Hamilton

1. Approved Finances

**New Business:**

Rick Minechello from League Direct sales spoke to the BOD about products, uniforms, equipment and concession items that can be ordered and the time frames for delivery. He left order catalogs for BOD members to look through.

Andrea Cafferty gave an update on the monthly financials, stating there was \$33,851 in the checking acct and that our Little League Charter of \$3000 has been paid. So far \$8000 has come in from registrations.

Brian Schwede listed the upcoming walk-in registration dates as 2/27 6-8 and 3/2 10-2 at the Middle School. At this time only 30% of members are registered.

Brian Schwede talked to the B0ard about the Baseball Monument at Town Park. The monument is in bad shape, Whitman Memorial Vault has offered to donate a vault to WBSA to bury the baseballs in and then WBSA would place a plaque on the site. Mike Cook offered to store the baseballs.

John Figuerido discussed ongoing communication issues he has been having with other BOD members. He has asked for documents and information and not received them in a timely manner. Jason Flebotte adamantly disagreed with Johns comments.

Adult umpires will still be used for Farm and Minor league games. At this time it looks like there will be 10 farm teams, 7 majors, 6 minors and 10 instructional.

Kevin Briggs suggested possibly using the VFW pavilion after the girl's softball clinics for baseball clinics. Mike Cook said there wouldn't be a lot of room for batting for older boys. It was

suggested maybe the clinic could be geared towards the younger divisions.

Diane Schwede talked about getting car magnets to sell as a fundraiser. She showed a few samples from Time-Out, the cost to the league would be \$1.79. They could be sold for \$3-\$5.

Brian Schwede discussed the Golf ball drop fundraiser. Tickets could be sold during the Baseball tournament and the drop could take place on the Saturday during the tournament. Joe Cunningham is looking into possibly having a "B" tournament 7/26 – 7/28.

McDonalds Day will be on May 18<sup>th</sup>.

Brian Schwede informed the Board that WBSA was awarded a tollbooth fundraiser by the Town of Whitman; it will be on May 11<sup>th</sup>.

Brian Schwede told the BOD that uniforms will need to be ordered soon and could cost \$8200, last years cost was \$6200.

WBSA will not be submitting a team for the 50/70 League.

Brian Schwede discussed appointing coaches for Majors, Minors, Farm and instructional divisions on 3/3. All directors should email their nominations for coaches to Brian Schwede and Crystal McCormack.

The Major/Minor league draft will take place on 3/23.  
Tryouts will be 3/16 & 3/23, with rain dates of 3/17 & 3/24.  
Opening day will be 4/13, with a rain date of 4/20.

Marci Moulton informed the Board that the first softball clinic will be held this weekend at the VFW Pavilion.

Peter Brown does not want to open the Town Park concession stand because it needs to be totally refurbished, he suggested asking if Flips Famous Hotdogs would be willing to work at the Town Park;

Mike Kenney offered to replace the floors at the Conley snack shack and Middle School concessions stands bathroom. WBSA would only need to pay for the labor, Mike would supply materials.

Mike Cook suggested that repairs be made on the Middle School fields backstops before the nets go up.

Marci Moulton asked that all BOD members fill out a Cori for,

Dan Desmond suggested we get a water pump for the field cost approx. \$ 400.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:19 by Brian Schwede. The next regular meeting of the WBSA will be on Monday April 1st at 6pm at the Whitman Police Station